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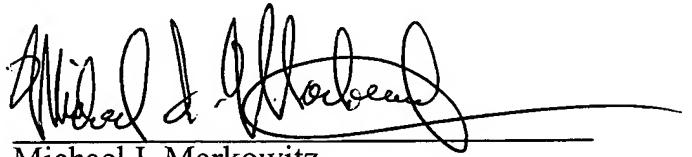
SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 11, 2005, the period for responding thereto having been set to expire after February 11, 2005, Applicant hereby elects Species I, directed to an embodiment corresponding to Fig. 1, for prosecution at this time. Claims 1-6 and 12 are readable on Species I. Applicant reserves the right to

file continuing application(s) based on the non-elected species. Early examination on the merits is earnestly solicited.

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